

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMCONSUL ASMARA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA PRIORITY

SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8218

C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 1188

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, CASC, ET, SU

SUBJ: TENNECO FIVE

REF: A. ADDIS 5924; B. ADDIS 5929

1. TENNECO'S WELDON GRAHAM MET ZEIN AS SCHEDULED MAY 29 AND COVERED REF POINTS.

2. ZEIN VISIBLY SHOCKED AND RECEIVED NEWS OF KILLING OF NURSE WITH DISBELIEF. HE STATED THAT ELF FIELD COMMANDER GIVEN VERY STRICT INSTRUCTIONS NOT TO HARM NON-COMBATANTS. ZEIN APPRECIATED POINTS RAISED AND NEED FOR GRAHAM RETURN ADDIS TO HELP HIS COLLEAGUES ASSESS THE NEW SITUATION.

3. HE ADDED THAT SINCE HIS LAST DISCUSSION WITH GRAHAM HE HAD BEEN INFORMED AGAIN BY THE ELF REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL TO MAINTAIN TENNECO CONTACT FOR NEGOTIATION PURPOSES.

4. IN LIGHT OF NEW DEVELOPMENTS, ZEIN TOLD GRAHAM THAT HE WOULD SPEND THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS ASCERTAINING PRESENT STATUS OF TENNECO CAPTIVES AND HOPED TO HAVE NEW INFORMATION FOR GRAHAM OR HIS COLLEAGUES WHEN THEY RETURNED TO KHARTOUM FRIDAY OR SATURDAY.

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5. GRAHAM, WHO FEELS ZEIN HAS DIRECT ACCESS TO ELF

LEADERS WHO CAN MAKE DECISIONS, WILL REPORT FURTHER  
DETAILS ON ARRIVAL ADDIS.

6. GRAHAM DEPARTING KHARTOUM BY AIR FOR ADDIS 1300  
HOURS LOCAL TIME OR 1100 GMT.

7. COMMENT. EMBASSY CONCURS THAT, WITH GOS  
ASSISTANCE, TENNECO APPEARS TO HAVE OPENED DIRECT  
LINE TO ELF/GC WITHOUT INVOLVING TROUBLESOME INTERMEDIARIES  
WHO APPEAR TO HAVE COMPOUNDED PROBLEM IN PAST.  
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